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In re Application of:

R. Eric Montgomery

Serial No.: 10/056,296

Filed: January 24, 2002

Title: TOPICAL ORAL CARE COMPOSITIONS

Examiner:

Art Unit: 1614

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.99, Applicant submits the references listed on the enclosed PTO form 1449. Copies of these references are enclosed. This Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with the continuing duty of candor as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

Submitted herewith is an English abstracts of the following foreign language references, or portions thereof: EP 0 866 069, EP 0 972 777, Japanese application nos. JP 62096408, JP 0292210, JP 2292211, JP 8099849, JP 11012142, and WO 02/02124 (Japanese publication no. 2002-020292, application 2000-199213). A copy of the International Search Report from a corresponding foreign application PCT/US02/02324 is also enclosed.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first office Action on the merits. Accordingly, no fee is due.

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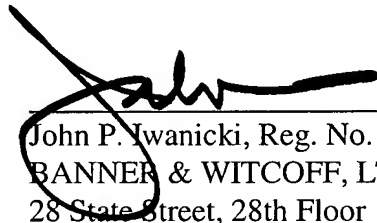
In the judgment of the undersigned, portions of the listed references may be material to the Examiner's consideration of the presently pending claims. However, the references have not been reviewed in sufficient detail to make any other representation and, in particular, no representation is intended as to the relative importance of any portion of the references. This statement is not a representation that the listed references have effective dates early enough to be "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 102 or § 103.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

In regard to the above-identified application, we are transmitting herewith the attached:

1. Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages),
2. Form PTO-1449 (2 sheets),
3. Copies of thirty-one (31) references,
4. A copy of the International Search Report for PCT/US02/02324, and
5. Return postcard.

With respect to additional fees, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

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